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Letter dated 26 June 2001 from the Permanent Representative of the United Kingdom to the United Nations addressed to the Acting Chairman of the Committee

Pursuant to paragraph 18 of Security Council resolution 1343 (2001), I would like to inform the Committee of the steps taken by Her Majesty's Government to implement paragraphs 5 to 7 of the resolution.

The Liberia (United Nations Sanctions) Order 2001 (SI 2001/947) came into force on 16 March 2001. The Order, made under the United Nations Act 1946, imposes restrictions pursuant to the resolution by prohibiting the delivery or supply to Liberia of arms and related materiel and the provision of related technical assistance and training. Similar Orders Impose like restrictions in relation to the Overseas Territories and Crown Dependencies.

The diamond embargo imposed under paragraph 6 of Security Council resolution 1343 (2001) was implemented in the United Kingdom by means of an amendment to the United Kingdom Open General Import Licence. Restrictions were imposed on imports into the Crown Dependencies by similar amendments to their export licensing regimes. The embargo was imposed in the Overseas Territories by the Liberia (United Nations Sanctions) (Overseas Territories) (No. 2) Order 2001 (SI 2001/1867), which entered into force on 15 May 2001.

The travel ban imposed under paragraph 7 of resolution 1343 (2001) has been implemented by administrative means and will be implemented in due course by an amending Order under the United Kingdom Immigration Act 1971. The travel ban has been implemented in the Overseas Territories and Crown Dependencies by administrative means.

You will wish to be aware of the decision by EU member States to implement the measures imposed by resolution 1343 (2001) at Community level. Common Position 2001/357/CFSP covering the measures in resolution 1343 (2001) came into effect on 7 May 2001. Council Regulation (EC) No. 1146/2001 implementing those measures that fall within Community competence came into effect on 11 June.

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